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CREW DISCOVERS SKULL AT BAYOU CADDY



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Crews with a dredging company working at Bayou Caddy discovered a human skull last Friday.

BY STACEY CATO
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

An investigation is underway after a dredging company working at Bayou Caddy made a discovery underneath the waters — a human skull.

At around noon on Friday, the Department of Marine Resources called on Hancock County Coroner Jim Faulk after work crews handed over what is believed to be a “mostly, well-preserved human skull,” Faulk said.

A member of the work crew said the remains were found amongst several yards of debris collected in the dredgers’

cutter head, a rotating tool used to loosen and dislodge the soil beneath the water while dredging.

“It was a little shocking,” the crew member said. “We typically find all kinds of trash clogged up in the cutter, but not human remains.”

Work in the area, the crew member said, is being carried out to help deepen and widen the waterways to assist with boat travel.

The cutter head is generally cleaned out every few hours, the crew member said, making it easy to determine where exactly the skull was picked up.

He said his company would have been digging only about six-to-eight-

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PUTTING THE 'UNITY' IN COMMUNITY



BY GEOFF BELCHER
GENERAL MANAGER

At a time when there is great civil unrest across the nation, the Hancock County NAACP, the Hancock County Sheriff's Office and Waveland, Bay St. Louis and Diamondhead police departments on Saturday worked together to host a community crawfish boil at MLK Park in the Bay to thank first-responders and essential workers for their hard work during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Dylan's Seafood and Pinchers Seafood donated the crawfish.

“I thought it was a good thing,” Waveland Chief Mike Prendergast said. “It went really well. I think we need to do more of this. That’s the only way you’re going to move forward, when everybody comes together to iron their issues out.”

Prendergast said that Ernest Taylor, community liaison officer for the Hancock County Sheriff's Office, began

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THE ECHO WELCOMES THREE MORE JUNIOR REPORTERS

BY CASSANDRA FAVRE
STAFF WRITER

The Sea Coast Echo is proud to welcome three more junior reporters to the team: Lexie Duenas, Kylie Simpkins, and Nia Singleton.

Lexie, 17, is a resident of Bay St. Louis; daughter to Tanya; and sister to Triton and Noah. She will be a senior at Bay High School.

Lexie said she wants to hone her writing skills in preparation for college. She has plans to major in creative writing.



Lexie Duenas

“I’ve never really had anyone critique my writing so I felt this would be good experience for that,” she said.

Kylie, 9, is the daughter of Brittany, and sister to Brooklyn, Xavier, and Ariana. She will be



Kylie Simpkins

a fourth-grader at North Bay Elementary.

“I thought it (junior reporting) would be something interesting to do,” she said. “I want to learn what a reporter does, how to write, and what to write.”



Nia Singleton

Nia is the daughter of Debbie and Moni; and sister to Ja’hmonica and Levi. She will be a sixth-grader at Bay Middle School.

Nia said that junior reporting will provide her with a “good” opportu-

nity.” “I want to get better at grammar skills and learn things about what’s happening around me,” she said.

Lexie, Kylie and Nia join 13-year-old Katie Stevens to round out this year’s junior reporter team.

The Echo’s junior reporters are responsible for pitching story ideas, writing stories; and taking photographs for publication in the newspaper as well as the Sea Coast Echo website.

“I will prove you wrong”

Local mother celebrates reunification with family

BY CASSANDRA FAVRE
STAFF WRITER

Meth is a horrible drug,” Candace Stalter said. “Most people don’t get the chance to walk away.”

In February of this year, Stalter’s case with youth court was officially closed and she was reunited with her children Stanley and Gage. She is also celebrating a little over a year of sobriety.

June is National Reunification Month which “recognizes the people and efforts around the country that help families to stay together,” according to the American Bar Association’s website.

Hancock County Judge Trent Favre said that the “success rates are much higher when kids are with family.”

Stalter was in county jail when she first met Favre, but she said she had already completed some of her goals, which included rehab.

“Sobriety is the key piece,” Favre said. “She knocked it out on her own.”

Stalter said what makes her stand out is that she didn’t expect the court to map it all out for her.

“I knew what I wanted and laid out my plan,” she said. “Your (the court’s) plan coincided with mine.”

Favre said it was evident Stalter has a strong bond with her sons and support from family and friends.

“The court interaction was positive,” he said.



Photo by Cassandra Favre | Sea Coast Echo
From left, Judge Trent Favre and Candace Stalter.

“We also had a connection. Being able to connect is not always easy. At one point, I saw her three times in public in a week. It’s awesome to see her progress and knowing she was committed.”

Stalter said she made a choice and decided to choose her kids over drugs.

“A lot of people don’t want to make that choice,” she said. “You’re not going to tell me that I’m not going to do something. You have to have that determination. There will be things you don’t want to do, but you have to swallow your pride.”

Stalter said her “clear” understanding of what needed to be completed in court shows them “you’re not playing around.”

Favre described Stalter as “strong-willed.”

“She realized this is not to hurt me, but to help me,” he said.

Stalter said it wasn’t an “easy road.”

“Some people have an expectation of a time frame,” she said. “Don’t expect that.”

The Department of Human Services and court construct service plans, she said, which map out what needs to be done. Those tasks can include rehab, securing stable housing, securing a job and providing a safe home.

“A lot of people have nowhere to go after rehab,” Stalter said.

She said that her family and friends helped her obtain a job and a car.

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Hancock County now stands at 100 COVID-19 cases; state’s total reaches 20,152 with 915 deaths

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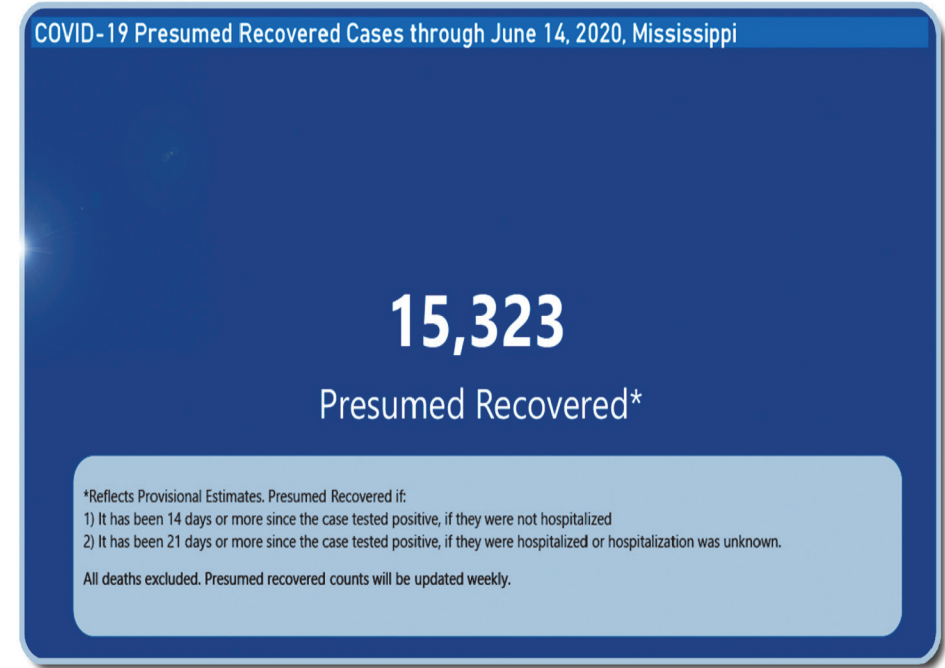
The Mississippi State Department of Health (MSDH) on Tuesday reported 353 new cases of COVID-19 in the state and 20 new deaths. The total in Hancock County is now 100 cases with 12 deaths.

“Mississippi’s total of COVID-19 cases since March 11 now stands at 20,152, with 915 deaths,” according to the agency’s statement on Tuesday. “Twenty-two of the new cases reported today were among residents in long-term care facilities, and there are now 80 active outbreaks of COVID-19 in long-term care facilities (where an outbreak is one or more cases among residents or staff).”

As of June 14, the MSDH estimates that 15,323 Mississippi residents who had tested positive for COVID-19 had recovered.

On Monday, MSDH reported 283 new cases in the state with four deaths. On Sunday, the state reported 168 cases with two deaths; and on Saturday, MSDH reported 257 new cases of COVID-19 with eight deaths, four of which were from the period between May 25 and June 4.

Harrison County, as of Tuesday, had 377 reported cases of the virus, with seven deaths, three cases in a long-term care facility and two deaths in



More than 15,000 Mississippians are presumed recovered.

a long-term care facility.

Pearl River County on Tuesday had a total of 223 cases of the novel coronavirus, with 31 deaths, and 45 cases with 11 deaths in long-term care facilities.

As of June 15, 240,664 people had been tested for the virus statewide, including 45,787 by the MSDH Public Health Laboratory and 194,877 by other providers around the state.

“Anyone with symptoms of fever, severe cough or severe chest pains – especially those who are older or in poor health – should make arrangements for testing with their doctor or one of the many healthcare providers now performing testing,” according to MSDH. “Healthcare providers can assess

your health history and symptoms, and perform testing for COVID-19 as needed. MSDH is also helping conduct free drive-up testing sites in many parts of the state. Always call ahead to the testing provider for instructions on safely being examined before you visit for your test.”

There are COVID-19 testing sites open in Hancock County.

- Hancock Women’s Center, 1009 Benigno Lane, Bay St. Louis. Walk-ins are welcome, both male and female, with results in 36-14 hours. Open Monday-Thursday, 8 a.m.-3 p.m.; and Friday, 8 a.m.-12 p.m. For more, please call 228-467-2555 or go to www.hancockwomencenter.com.

- Memorial Drink-

Photo courtesy of MSDH

water Internal Medicine Walk-In Clinic, 300 Drinkwater Drive, Bay St. Louis, Monday – Friday 8 a.m.–5 p.m. and Sat & Sun 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

- Memorial Hancock Family Practice, 4433 Leisure Time Drive, Diamondhead, Monday – Friday 8 a.m. –5 p.m. and Sat & Sun 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Call (228) 867-5000 before visiting a clinic to allow the staff to determine the next steps and to prepare for your arrival.

- Children’s International Medical Group — 467-1320

- Coastal Family Health Center — 228-463-9666.

Man jailed for attempted murder after shooting in Kiln

BY GEOFF BELCHER
GENERAL MANAGER

A Picayune man was arrested Monday afternoon for allegedly shooting another man four times in an apparent argument over money.

Hancock County Sheriff’s deputies arrested Heath Colby Broom, 36, charging him with attempted murder.

The incident occurred at Road 269 in Kiln.

Chief Investigator Glenn Grannan said Tuesday that authorities still aren’t releasing the identity of the victim.

“They knew each other,” Grannan said. “Right now, it appears to be an argument over whether somebody owed somebody some



Heath Broom

money or something.”

The victim is currently listed in stable condition at an area hospital, Grannan said.

The incident is still under investigation, he said.

As of press time Tuesday, Broom was still incarcerated at the Hancock County Adult Detention Center in lieu of a \$100,000 bond. An initial justice court date has been scheduled for July 14.

Reeves extends Safe Return

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Gov. Tate Reeves on Wednesday issued two new executive orders in relation to COVID-19, one extending the Safe Return and the other getting government employees back to work.

“These should not be taken as a signal that the risk is gone,” Reeves said during his Wednesday press briefing. “COVID-19 is still here, still deadly, still contagious. It is purely a recognition of the costs of continued shutdowns and heavy regulation.”

Reeves extended the

Safe Return order until Monday, June 29 at 8 a.m.

The new order, Executive Order 1496, goes into effect on Monday, June 15 at 8 a.m.

Under the new order, the 10 p.m. curfew on restaurants and bars that serve alcohol is lifted.

In addition, gyms and fitness center can increase the number of customers to 50 percent of maximum capacity. Outdoor and indoor arenas can open under social distancing restrictions such as limited seating capacity to 25 percent and following guidelines listed in Executive Order

No. 1492.

The second order Reeves issued Wednesday is Executive Order No. 1495, which “sunsetts administrative leave for state, local, and municipal government employees set under Executive Orders 1458 and 1460 to end on Wednesday, July 1.”

Last month, Reeves issued Executive Order No. 1484, which directed government employees to begin safely returning to work.

View these orders in entirety at www.seacoastecho.com or www.governorreeves.ms.gov/covid-19/.

Women for Progress March by 100 WOMEN DBA

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The 100 WOMEN DBA, an organization under the 100 Men Hall, will march from the Hall to the Hancock County Courthouse on June-teenth, Friday, June 19, 2020 at 6 p.m.

Everyone is invited to join. Please bring a mask and meet at the Hall at 5:45 p.m.

The Women for Progress march is a peaceful protest about the killing of Black people. As Hancock County women, along with the men who support us, we are marching against all acts of oppression and use our voices for those who are not heard, whose lives have not mattered, and who every day suffer at the hands of people in power who do not represent or uplift them.

Ann Madden of Ann Madden Photography and Smith & Lens will offer free family portraits to any Black family at 5 p.m. outside the 100 Men Hall. Please arrive at 4:45 p.m., portrait ready, as these will be 5-minute

sessions in rapid succession. All photos will be made available to the families at no charge.

The route for the march will start at the steps of the 100 Men Hall, 303 Union Street, and continue down Ne-caise Avenue to Main Street ending at the Hancock County Courthouse on 152 Main Street.

We have chosen to march on June-teenth to commemorate Jubilee Day that began in Texas after the emancipation proclamation was declared to enslaved people six months after it had gone into effect. We support other Juneteenth celebrations to be held by the Hancock County NAACP in Waveland at MLK park at 7 p.m. on Friday and 4 p.m. on Saturday.

The 100 Women DBA is program under 100 Men Hall seeking to levy the members collective privileges and blessings to level the playing field for underrepresented women to empower and support them in their business endeavors.



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“A Safe Place:” Gulf Coast Christian Women Job Corps/Magdalene House provides a haven for recovery & growth



Photo by Cassandra Favre | Sea Coast Echo

GCCWJC Executive Director Diane Bennett, (left) provides women a faith-based program to recover, grow, and succeed.



Photo by Cassandra Favre | Sea Coast Echo

There is also Bible study and a book club.

BY CASSANDRA FAVRE
STAFF WRITER

Megan V. struggled with addiction for about 10 years.

After serving a year-and-a-half jail sentence, she was released to the care of the Gulf Coast Christian Women’s Job Corp/Magdalene House.

GCCWJC — a national non-profit organization — is affiliated with the Women’s Missionary Union through the Baptist Association, GCCWJC Executive Director Diane Bennett said.

Through the use of faith-based programs, GCCWJC helps participants find life-sustaining goals and the tools and skills to manage life’s roadblocks and barriers, Bennett said.

Megan said she needed help getting back on her feet after rehab.

“A safe place and classes to help me for life instead of short-term,” she said. “In two months, I learned it’s good to plan for the future and to stop and think about my decisions.”

One of the volunteer-led programs offered is an eight-week workforce development training, Bennet said. After the class, women will have a completed resume, interview skills, and an opportunity to search and apply for jobs.

Participants also learn “soft-work” skills and accountability such as showing up for work on time, and good work ethic, Bennett said.

Paige A. struggled with addiction for 17 years and hopes to pursue a career as a physical therapy assistant.

She is learning how to maintain a household and paying for things on her own.

“I’m learning coping skills and how to deal with emotions because I’ve masked them for so long,” she said. “I was very insecure when I started here, but I got a job and realized I have a work ethic. I built my confidence up and gained new aspiration to go back to school.”

Bennett said that filling out job applications can “scary,” especially if there are things that show up in a background check.

“A lot of girls don’t think they can do it,” she said. “But we teach them that they grow from the past, it doesn’t define you.”

When Paige relapsed in 2018, she discovered that one of the missing links in her recovery was attending AA meetings and having a sponsor.

“I feel like a whole new person,” she said. “My mom told me that she could see the change in me.”

Paige plans to transition her children back to living with her.

Bennett said the six-month program also includes Bible study and a book club where the women can also learn communication skills, vocabulary, writing, and reading comprehension skills.

Participants also participate in volunteer work at Shoreline Park Baptist Church and the King’s Kitchen soup kitchen in Bay St. Louis.

Megan said that performing service work in the community has been “huge” for her. She serves meals at Shoreline Park and King’s Kitchen.

“I see myself being independent and working towards a career in either counseling or as a special needs teacher,” she said. “Something serving and helping others.”

Prior to GCCWJC, Megan said, she was stuck in a cycle of wanting to get better and failing.

“I had had a really good job and my own place,” she said. “I couldn’t maintain it. I lost it all and lost family members. God brought me out of it and told me to stop. He led me here to transition.”

Once the program ends, participants are paired with a Christian mentor, Bennett said. They meet once a week for about an hour discussing their journey and goals.

“What makes us unique is mentoring and that it’s faith-based,” Bennett said. “The ladies always know they can come back to the program. They never really graduate, this is always home.”

Bennett said she frequently receives calls from past participants who update her on their lives.

Melody D. Said she

knew God before but “didn’t have much of a relationship.”

“I built that relationship with God in jail,” she said. “My whole life, I was in and out of church with my family. Then it fell off. I didn’t have the relationship that I have now. No matter what, He’s always been there for me. He’s never left me and is always by side.”

Bennett said the women are the “reason I show up.”

“I hope and pray we set the tone of ‘no fear’ here and that they won’t be judged here,” she said. “There’s no reason to be ashamed or embarrassed. We all come before God knowing we need to be redeemed.”

Megan said that — at one point in her life — she did turn from God.

“I had a distorted view of who God was and viewed him as a punisher,” she said. “So when I was messed up, I felt no hope. Now I know he loves me as I am.”

During her time at GCCWJC, Megan said she learned that the “best place I’ve experienced growth is when I’ve stepped outside my comfort zone. It’s okay to not be perfect because we’re only human. The most beautiful place I’ve ever experienced is on the other side of that fear. I’m trusting my choices again. I’m worthy of life and worthy of doing this.”

Bennett said that most of her referrals come from local organizations

such as Homes of Grace; Crossroads; jail ministry; Hancock Resource Center; Child Protective Services; Hope Haven; youth court; CASA; and the Center for Domestic Violence.

GCCWJC offers programs for women in Hancock, Harrison, Jackson, and Pearl River counties.

They are volunteer-led by social workers, bankers, teachers, etc.

GCCWJC’s new session of classes is scheduled to begin June 22 and includes:

- **W o r k** force readiness - preparing women for successful job opportunities and stable employment.
- **M o n e y** management - teaching women how to pay down debt and live within their monetary capabilities.
- **A n g e r** management - open to all

who may need to comply with any court-ordered class.

- **B i b l e** study, communications skills and life skills classes.

- **P a r e n t** class - meets court requirements and is a total of six sessions. This class meets on Monday from 5:30 to 7 p.m.

The classes (which are about an hour long) are offered Monday through Friday from 2 to 5 p.m., free of charge, and also open to the community.

GCCWJC is located at 10469 Hwy. 603. To register, contact Bennett at 228-586-3510.

Learn more through Facebook at Gulf Coast Christian Women’s Job Corp.

GCCWJC is a 501 [c] [3] and also accepts donations.



Photo by Cassandra Favre | Sea Coast Echo

Women learn skills such as applying for a job and resume writing.

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organizing the event long before the death of George Floyd that sparked nationwide protests.

The event was set up merely to show appreciation to people who had worked hard and put themselves at risk during a difficult time to help their neighbors and their community.

Somewhere along the line, the narrative shifted on that, he said, but there were good results.

“Everybody was very open,” Prendergast said. “We communicated with a lot of people They told us what their issues are, where we can change and move forward.

“We need to move forward and work together to make this work.”

“This is nice,” Clarence Harris, long-time director of the Helping Hands community organization, said Saturday. “It’s good to get people together and talk things out.”

“I thought it was excellent,” Hancock NAACP President Gregory Barabino said. “I think there was some confusion between first-responders and the community ... but I think if the NAACP and the police are working together, that is relevant.

“Everything melted away. People were just people. I thought it was a wonderful event.”

“We’ve always had a sense of unity here” in Hancock County, Sheriff Ricky Adam said. “We’ve had our differences, but none that we couldn’t discuss and overcome.”

Juneteenth Celebration this Friday & Saturday in Waveland

BY GEOFF BELCHER
GENERAL MANAGER

The Hancock County NAACP will host a Juneteenth celebration this Friday and Saturday, June 19 and 20, at MLK Park at 447 Herlihy St. in Waveland.

“Everybody can come out and cook out and enjoy a day in the park,” Hancock NAACP President Gregory Barabino said. “There will be social distancing, and if you don’t have a mask, there will be one for you until supplies run out.

Juneteenth, also known as Freedom Day or Jubilee Day, is an

American holiday celebrated annually on June 19, commemorating the date in 1865 when Union Gen. Gordon Granger read federal orders in Galveston, Tex., that all previously enslaved people in Texas were free.

On Friday, the festivities will begin at the park at 7 p.m., with a movie.

On Saturday, the events begin at 4 p.m. with a community cook-out.

The Civil Rap Movement will sponsor a concert at 6 p.m. on Saturday.

“The Civil Rap Movement is an educational program that

uses hip-hop to inspire, uplift and educate children,” Barabino said. “The music will be uplifting.”

Some of the artists set to perform Saturday include DJ Csharp, DJ Duke Da Genius and DJ Dennis, Barabino said.

All entertainment will be sponsored by Barabino’s Greg B. Productions.

There will also be an artists’ lounge featuring an art exhibit inside the MLK Community Center. There will also be several vendors, including Big Baby’s Catering and the Rotary Club of Bay St. Louis.



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Home

If you google the definition of home, it reads, “the place where one lives permanently, especially as a member of a family or household.”

I used to believe that home was a house built by years, but growing up with a parent in the military, home was always short-lived and temporary. I didn’t exactly have a real idea of what home was, or had some emotional tie to the word. All I really knew was how scary it was to leave my friends behind. But hey, I can proudly say that I have developed a talent for packing and unpacking an entire room in a matter of seconds. You might as well call me the fairy godmother of disappearing. I lived here for five years before I bip-pity-boppity-boo’d myself across the Atlantic ocean to Italy.



Staff Column
By Lexie Duenas

Five years may not seem like a lot compared to a friend of mine, who has lived here for thirteen, but it’s the longest i’ve ever lived anywhere. I can say that I’ve spent a pretty good amount of my childhood here in Bay St Louis and Waveland. It was strange, growing up around the same people and seeing the same things every day, and then being uprooted and replanted in a new country. The strangest part though, was coming back, and seeing how everyone’s changed, and how some things never changed at all.

Seeing the same people, the same buildings. I kind of got a teaser, moving to Italy. It was like here, this is the world, now go back to where you were before. The only thing that changes other than the people is that fast food building on highway 90.

But the other day I waltzed out of my house with my running shoes on. I was halfway through giving up when I decided to switch up my route. I ran through an intersection and someone’s morning sprinklers, which I think watered more of the road than the grass, before reaching the street I used to live on.

So here is where I say nostalgia is a weird thing. As I stood in front of my childhood home, I watched a seven-year-old me accidentally burn my hand trying to light a firework. I saw an eight-year-old me reading poetry to a stray dog I begged my dad to let me take home, which became the reason for the torn screen on my bedroom window when he wouldn’t let him in the house, haha. I watched myself, tiny and naive, struggle to get my bike out of the garage. I’m sure you can imagine, the memories flooded in.

Without hesitation, I’ll admit I’ve spent way too many hours searching for something profound to say. But I’ll keep it simple. For a while I wondered what anyone could ever possibly like about this place. I’ve found that home can be a house built by years, but it can also be a feeling, “where the heart feels comfortable in all its surroundings.” Maybe it’s not always four walls and a roof, but all of its surroundings as well.

Lexie is a junior reporter at the Sea Coast Echo and can be reached at cassandra@seacoastecho.com.

We have met the enemy, and he is us

Are you feeling down? Do you think the past three months have been the worst year of your life? Tired of being cooped up due to what amounts to potentially fatal cooties? Are you continually bummed out because much of the country is on fire and the cable news people keep telling us that the country is more divided than it’s been since the Civil War?

Whatever’s going on, I’d like to help perk you up a bit.

First of all, it’s important to understand that widespread disease and societal upheavals have been going on since the beginning of time. This will all blow over. Not soon, of course, but, you know, eventually. Then life will go back to being almost slightly tolerable.

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heroic.

It doesn’t matter if you’re a Democrat, Republican, Whig or Bull Moose, rich, poor, black, white, straight, gay, whatever --- I don’t know anyone who thinks his or her life is easy. Do you?

Certainly, some people have it better than others, but we’re all in the same leaky boat.

Ms. Vera La Nasa -- a dear, sweet, hilarious lady who was the Echo’s typesetter for many years -- used to say “We’re all broke, just at different levels.” Of course, she also used to say about the Echo crew that “We’re all here because we aren’t all there.”

Ms. Vera grew up in Germany, and fondly recalled her childhood days during World War II when the allies would bomb the city where she lived.

“Oh, we had great fun,” she told me once. “The adults, they were frightened all the time. To us, the children -- of course there were scary times -- but it was an adventure.”

Ms. Vera, to me, was



Staff Column
By Geoff Belcher

a hero.

And you are, too. Whatever life throws at you, you get up, get dressed (hopefully) and go to work or to the grocery store or (shudder) Walmart or wherever, and you go about your business and get things done.

We all like to think there’s some divine plan that keeps our lives on an even keel, but when a disaster hits, or a pandemic, or you have a traumatic car wreck or a loved one dies, it all seems random and chaotic. Like there’s no plan. No reason. No point.

But then you have to deal with the rest of the world, talk to the funeral home or your insurance

agency or make arrangements for time off work like a job really matters when you feel like your whole life is over, or just bump into somebody you know and have to explain what’s going on like it’s somehow “normal.”

Yet somehow, you do it. You keep going until you make it through, until life is once again, somehow, “normal.”

It’s isn’t easy, it isn’t always pretty, but you keep trying.

And that’s all anyone could ask.

So today, if only for a minute, be proud of yourself. Be proud of your kids, your neighbors, your town, your obnoxious cousin who can’t keep a job and keeps asking to borrow money.

Everybody has a bad day, from time to time, but we are all in this together, and the sooner we all realize that, the better off we’ll be.

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Cannot be silent any longer

Dear Editor,

I am writing to applaud Mr. Singleton for his guest column on June 10. It sat me down to hear that such a well known and respected member of the Bay St Louis community has been treated so disrespectfully so often - because of his skin color! Thank you for the wake-up call. None of us have the luxury of being silent or still ANY longer!

Mary Seferlis
Bay St Louis

LETTER | to the | EDITOR

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Arrest Record

The following is a list of arrests logged at the Hancock County Justice Facility from the past week. Appearance on the jail log is not indicative of guilt, merely a record that an arrest has been made.

ECHO STAFF

Ashley M. Hoey, 30, felony possession of controlled substance, contempt of court failure to appear
Amber D. Ladner, 26, DUI first offense
Debra K. Sack, 55, drunkenness/profanity in public place, alcohol open container
Richard D. Breland, 48, contempt failure to appear (payment hearing)
Brent C. Smith, 37, drunkenness/profanity in public place
Michael J. Brown, Jr., 34, DUI first offense, possession of marijuana (1-30 grams) while operating a motor vehicle
Timmy J. Gambill, 56, probation violation
Danny C. Spiers, 41, simple assault - attempt by physical menace to create fear, probation violation
Dwayne L. Dorsey, 39, eluding law officer, possession of marijuana (1-30 grams) while operating a motor vehicle, reckless driving
Edgar B. Lux-Tojin, 32, hold of ICE
Schman P. Ladner, 42, trespassing
Dedrick L. Labat, 26, controlled substance to sell, barter transfer, manufacture, distribute,

dispense or possess with intent to sell, barter transfer, manufacture, distribute, dispense; felony possession of controlled substance; possession of marijuana (1-30 grams)
Anson C. Bridgers, 56, contempt failure to appear, probation violation
Jeremy T. Piers, 41, contempt of court failure to appear, drunkenness/profanity in public place, resisting/obstructing arrest, disturbing the peace
Paul D. Dannels, 64, DUI first offense
Danny R. Necaie, 35, contempt of court failure to appear
Gerard H. Gelinas, III, 57, contempt of court violation of protective order or court-approved consent agreement, probation violation
Daizey M. Paulette, 22, shoplifting
Mark K. Edwards, 58, shoplifting
Destiny N. Boudreaux, 29, contempt of court failure to appear x 2
Ashuri N. Patton, 24, resisting/obstructing arrest, felony possession of controlled substance
Robert L. Dunn, Jr., 43, DUI first offense
Kevin J. Ackman, 36, possession of paraphernalia
Taylor R. Passantino, 31, simple domestic violence simple assault; contempt of court failure to appear x 2; careless driving (bench warrant); driving while license or driving privilege cancelled, suspended, or revoked (bench warrant); no insurance, no tag

(bench warrant)
Allen W. Lewis, 42, parole violation
Huey P. Woodcock, II, 35, possession of marijuana (1-30 grams) while operating a motor vehicle, failure to yield to blue lights, careless driving
Glenn W. Mitchell, II, 37, felony possession of controlled substance, possession of paraphernalia
Lawrence J. King, 30, simple assault causing bodily injury
Elizabeth K. Martin, 41, hold for other agency
Ethan J. Jacob, 22, felony possession of controlled substance
Nielen Mauricio-Bernardez, 31, hold for ICE
Ronald W. Stiglet, Sr., 63, simple domestic violence simple assault
Victor M. Ramirez-Montalbano, 50, hold for ICE
Itzel Reyes Lopez, 27, hold for ICE
Marshall T. Johnson, 47, felony possession of controlled substance
Albertina Lopez-Lopez, 53, hold for ICE
Hervin A. Pineda, 45, hold for ICE
Nazario Cruz-Munoz, 35, hold for ICE
Ray N. Ladner, 40, felony possession of controlled substance, contempt of court failure to appear
Waylon J. Shows, 29, contempt of court failure to appear, possession of paraphernalia
Trevor M. Smith, 25, possession of paraphernalia
Robert N. Ohern, III, 30, felony possession of

controlled substance
Brandie S. Paine, 36, possession of paraphernalia, fraud bad checks penalties/restitution (bench warrant), parole violation
Shirley J. Rogers, 36, controlled substance to sell, barter transfer, manufacture, distribute, dispense or possess with intent to sell, barter transfer, manufacture, distribute, dispense, parole violation
William A. Dunn, 45, contempt of court failure to appear
Jaxon M. Riddick, 19, resisting/obstructing arrest, drunkenness/profanity in public place
Daniel G. Dougherty, Jr., 40, contempt of court failure to appear
Christy N. Parker, 35, contempt of court failure to appear
Chad A. Ladner, 38, contempt of court failure to appear
Michael A. Ruspoli, 52, contempt of court failure to appear x 2, contempt failure to comply
Alan L. Parsons, 36, felony possession of controlled substance
Christopher M. Brown, 28, driving with suspended or revoked license
Brittany D. Martin, 27, felony possession of controlled substance
Rain C. Maxwell, 30, back for court/court order
Crescencio Ramirez-Beristain, 32, hold for ICE
Steven A. Morse, 48, DUI first offense
Lashanna M. Ellis, 23,

shoplifting
Brent A. LeBlanc, 33, contempt failure to appear x 2
Jason T. Ford, 30, shoplifting
Ron D. Daniels, 31, leaving scene of accident involving only vehicular; driving while license or driving privilege cancelled, suspended, or revoked
Crystal M. Mizell, 40, grand larceny; burglary commercial buildings, cars, etc. x 9
Darren J. Weary, 33, possession of marijuana (1-30 grams); misdemeanor possession of controlled substance
Maconnelly N. Piazza, 29, drunkenness/profanity in public place; violating order or court, contempt, punishment
Timothy L. Crews, 38, hold for other agency
Danny R. Wallace, 53, drunkenness/profanity in public place
Dalton J. Delorette, 23, disturbance of family

indecent exposure abusive language
Jerry L. Schmidt, 44, contempt failure to appear x 3; disorderly conduct resisting/obstructing arrest; drunkenness/profanity in public place
Munson W. LaGarde, 33, hold for other agency
Shelby R. Wingfield, 23, DUI other substance, no insurance, possession and display of license upon demand, resisting/obstructing arrest
Christopher A. Conner, 54, drunkenness/profanity in public place
Leon E. Fairley, 67, contempt of court failure to appear
Jesse M. Linton, 36, misdemeanor possession of controlled substance; grand larceny; burglary commercial buildings, cars, etc. x 9
Dylan J. Kelley, 24, reckless driving, no drivers license
Monica R. Hoda, 32, innkeeper, defrauding

Reeves declares State of Emergency in response to TS Cristobal; MEMA estimates about \$5.2 million in damage across Hancock and Harrison counties

SEA COAST ECHO

Gov. Tate Reeves on Wednesday declared a state of emergency in response to Tropical Storm Cristobal. According to a release from the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency, a state of emergency is an “administrative tool that authorizes the use of state resources to aid in response and recovery efforts.” The storm made landfall in southeast Louisiana on Sunday, but caused extensive flooding in Hancock County. Hancock County Emergency

Management Agency Executive Director Brain Adam said Monday that EMA reported flooding on a total of 259 streets in Bay St. Louis, Waveland, Pearlinton, Kiln, Diamondhead, Ansley, and around the county on Sunday. According to MEMA, “initial county assessments estimate around \$5.2 million in damage across Harrison and Hancock counties. This includes damage to beaches and debris removal.” Damage assessments are still ongoing, so that number could change, according to MEMA. “It appears that based on precursory analysis, we will exceed

the counties’ and state’s threshold for public assistance,” MEMA Executive Director Greg Michel said. “Within the next weeks we plan to request joint public damage assessments. We are hopeful that public assistance will become approved, but there is much work to be done before those requests can be made.” Residents can self-report damages to local emergency management agencies. Hancock County residents can report damage at <https://www.crisistrack.com/public/hancockMS/request.html>.

MDE releases considerations for reopening Mississippi’s schools

SEA COAST ECHO

The Mississippi Department of Education on Tuesday released an outline of considerations for reopening Mississippi’s schools. According to a release from MDE, the department partnered with nine superintendents to create the document: Todd English of Booneville School District; Jason Harris of Columbia School District; Adrian Hammitte of Jefferson County School District; Tess Smith of Lamar County Public Schools; Charlotte Seals of Madison County Schools; Lance Evans of New Albany Schools; Bonita Coleman of Ocean

Springs School District; Matt Dillon of Petal School District; and Miskia Davis of Sunflower County School District. “Considerations for Reopening Mississippi Schools” is a “three-month timeline of strategies for school leaders to consider to plans for the start of the 2020-21 school year. “The document is intended to be used as a resource and starting point for districts to consider local needs in collaboration with stakeholders,” the release states. The considerations will be updated in three-month intervals to adjust to changes with the COVID-19 outbreak, MDE states.

“Local school districts are responsible for designing school schedules that best meet the needs of their communities,” the release states. “School calendars, including the first and last day of school and school holidays, are set at the district level. State law requires schools to provide 180 days of instruction each year.” Read the considerations in their entirety at <https://msachievements.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/Considerations-for-Reopening-Schools-June-8-FINAL.pdf>.



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Obituaries

WALKER ACKER
THOMAS KETCHUM
TIMOTHY PROULX

WALKER ACKER

Funeral service will be held Wed. June 17, 2020 at 2 pm., in Slidell Church of Christ, 994 Old Spanish Trail, Slidell, LA. for Walker Acker age 80 of Pearl- ington, MS., who died June 7, 2020 in Diamond Head, MS. He was a native of Gainesville, MS. He moved to Pearlington as a young man. Wal- ter accepted Christ and was baptized at Slidell Church of Christ Wal- ter received his formal education at Valence C. Jones in Bay St. Louis, MS., after graduation he was drafted into The United State Army. He served as a Military

Lineman, and received the Good Conduct Metal (1st Award) and Sharp- shooter Badge (Rifle). Walter worked at Stennis Space Center for over 25 years. At the age of 26, on July 23, 1966, he married his life-long companion, Rose. Sur- vivors: his wife Rose Acker of Pearlington, MS., 3 sons, Walter Ack- er Jr., of Gulfport, MS., Dorian (Faith) Acker of Chesapeake, VA., Ced- ric (Apolonia) Acker of Waveland, MS., 2 daugh- ters Desiree (Dean) Lewis of South Heaven, MS., Chandra Acker of Gulfport, MS., 14 grand- children, 6 great-grand- children, 4 sisters Phi- lomena (Nolan) Reed,

of Newport News, VA., Andrelle (Jale) Nichol- son of Hattiesburg, MS., Dinah (James) Nich- olson, Debra (Robert) Fulton of Pearlington, MS., 2 brothers Clar- ence (Shirley) Acker of Pearlington, MS., Le- roy Acker of Wiggins, MS., preceded in death by parents, Albert and Corine Acker, 2 sisters, Jacqueline (Jackie) Ack- er Bradly and Catherine (Noochie) Acker. Walk through viewing Wed., June 7, 2020 at 12 Noon until 1:30 pm., at Slidell Church of Christ. Burial in the New Hope Baptist Church Cemetery, Pear- lington, MS., under the direction of Baylous Fu- neral Home.

THOMAS KETCHUM

Thomas Ketchum, Age 59, passed away Saturday, 6/6/2020. RIEMANN FAM- ILY FUNERAL HOME, 9113 Kiln Delisle Rd., Pass Christian is serving the fam- ily. Service at a later date. Full obit may be viewed at www.riemannfamily.com.

TIMOTHY PROULX

On Sunday, June 7th, 2020, Timothy Proulx, loving father, son, brother, and best friend, passed away at the age of 53.

Tim was born on No- vember 27th, 1966 in Or- lando, FL. He spent most of his younger years playing sports and going to any concert he could. He was a Rock’n Roll lover.

Tim was passionate about cooking, animals, sports, his lava lamp collection, and beating his kids at any game. He was a zoo enthusiast and always up for an adven- ture, known for his wit, infectious laugh, and his kind humble spirit. He never met a stranger and was a second dad to many that came through his door. There was noth- ing he loved more than



being a dad and grand- father.

He was currently a Sous-Chef at Island View Casino in Gulfport, MS.

Tim was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, Oliver & Ann Proulx; maternal grandparents, Jack & Edith Chevis; father, George Proulx, and his brother Christopher Proulx.

Survived by his moth- er, Celeste Proulx; five siblings, Mark, Allen, Julie, & Michael Proulx, and Jennifer Proulx Dun- can (Joel); four children, Ryan, Alex, Devon,

and Nick Proulx; three granddaughters, Addys- on Proulx, and Reagan & Kiley Shiyou; and many nieces, nephews, cousins, aunts, and un- cles.

Visitation was Friday, June 12, 2020 at Our Lady of the Gulf Cath- olic Church in Bay St. Louis, MS from 2:30 pm until 4:00 pm with a Mass of Christian Buri- al at 4:00 pm. Interment followed at Gulf Coast Memorial Cemetery on Longfellow St. in Bay St. Louis.

His children asked that guests dress comfort- able, NO suits or dress- es requested only jeans, band tee shirts, NFL jer- seys: Raiders, Bears or Steelers- “That’s what our dad would want.”

Edmond Fahey Funer- al Home in Bay St. Louis was in charge of arrange- ments.

Ground Zero Hurricane Museum reopens

BY CASSANDRA FAVRE
STAFF WRITER

The Waveland Ground Zero Hur- ricane Museum reopened on Tuesday, June 16, museum director Linda Aiavolasiti said.

The museum has been closed to visitors since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic in March.

However, museum staff and volun- teers will be adhering to guidelines set forth by the Centers for Disease Con- trol and The Mississippi State Depart- ment of Health, she said.

The museum will be following so- cial distancing guidelines by limiting the number of guests inside to 20, Aiavolasiti said, and recommends that guests wear masks inside. One will be

provided upon request. However, it is not a requirement to wear a mask.

Hand sanitizer will be available and the floor will be marked with the ap- propriate social distancing measure- ments, she added.

The museum is open Tuesday through Saturday at 10 a.m. The last tour begins at 2:30 p.m.

Waveland’s Ground Zero Hurricane Museum is located at 335 Coleman Ave. There is no admission, but dona- tions are accepted.

Learn more at www.waveland- groundzero.com and through Face- book at Ground Zero Hurricane Mu- seum.

Contact Aiavolasiti at 228-467- 9012.

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“It’s not just about you,” Favre said. “Ev- eryone has a role.”

While she complet- ed her requirements, her sons stayed with family members, she said.

“I was raised by a good woman,” Stalter said. “My mistakes were my mistakes. It’s hard to walk away from drugs and have that will. But I

gained so much more in the end.”

Stalter said that it can be intimidating walking into the courtroom and that people might not want to do everything on the plan.

“Just start checking off things,” she said. “Just do it. Make a choice. Do I want that or do I want this?”

Stalter gives a lot of credit to her support sys- tem, including her fam- ily, friends, Favre, and Deputy Rogers from the Hancock County jail.

Stalter said that she speaks to Deputy Rogers every day.

“A lot of the time, people look down on us,” she said. “You can’t let that get to you.”

Now that she has re- unified with her sons and completed her re- quirements, Stalter said it feels like a weight was lifted off her shoulders.

“You can breathe,” she said. “When you’re on drugs, your life is not your life. I finally have my life back.”

MSDH completes COVID-19 testing in all of the state’s nursing homes

SEA COAST ECHO

The Mississippi State Depart- ment of Health on Thursday announced that “approximately seven percent of Mississippi residents have now been tested for the disease, in- cluding 100 percent of all residents and staff of the 211 nursing homes in Mississippi.”

“Nursing homes are considered high-risk locations because their resi- dents are older or in poor health,” MSDH states. “Even one case of COVID-19 in these facilities among residents or employees is considered an outbreak.”

In the last two weeks of May, 13,911 residents and 17, 324 staff members were tested for COVID-19 during a 14-day period. The Mis- sissippi Public Health Lab and the University of Mississippi Medical Center tested 26, 549 individuals and of those, 676 were positive for COVID-19.

“We have been tracking outbreaks in nursing homes since we first saw a COVID case in Mississippi on March 11,” Mississippi State Health Officer Dr. Thomas Dobbs said. “That has been a very vulnerable population that has shown to be more suscepti- ble to severe illness and death from COVID.”

Dobbs added that many of the nursing home residents who test- ed positive for COVID, presented “mild” symptoms as opposed to the more “severe” symptoms of fever or shortness of breath.

He said that the testing strategy a “herculean” effort by the MSDH and the Mississippi National Guard.

“We’ve been very fortunate to work with some incredible partners through the overall COVID response, and this is an example of how much we can accomplish when we work to- gether,” Dobbs said.

For more information on COVID-19, visit www.Heal- d-quothyMS.com/covid-19.

“Back to Business Mississippi” grant applications now available

SEA COAST ECHO

Gov. Tate Reeves on Wednesday announced that appli- cations for the “Back to Business Mississippi” grant program are now live.

The applications are available at www.back- tobusinessms.org.

“We need to always remember the pandem- ic was not just a pub- lic health emergency,” Reeves said during his daily press briefing. “It plunged our coun- try into the greatest job loss since the Great De- pression. The econom- ic damage — and the human cost of it — has

been incalculable. We need to do everything in our power to take care of our neighbors.”

MDA’s interim di- rector John Rounsaville said that MDA’s “top priority” has been to implement the “Back to Business Mississippi” grant program.

“We are happy to announce that MDA began talking appli- cations today to help businesses that suffered economic losses during COVID-19,” Rounsav- ille said during Wednes- day’s press briefing.

Businesses with less than 50 employees or less could receive up to \$25,000, depending

on expenses during the pandemic.

Expenses under the grant program include: mortgage interest, rent, payroll, utilities, and other pandemic-related expenses. However, un- der the CARES Act, the grant cannot cover lost revenue.

A list of eligibility guidelines can be found on the “Back to Busi- ness Mississippi” web- site.

Thank You

The family of Timothy Proulx would like to thank everyone for the cards, flowers, food & kind expressions of sympathy shown following his passing.

If you helped out in any way, your kindness brought us comfort & will not be forgotten.

The Proulx Family

One person dead after car crashes and bursts into flames in Hancock County

BY STACEY CATO
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Bayside Fire De- partment Assistant

A Waveland wom- an died early Friday morning after the car she was driving crashed into a ditch and burst into flames.

A Dodge Caliber driven by 76-year-old Richarda Raicevich of Waveland ran off the roadway and into a ditch on Old Hwy. 90 near the intersection of Hwy. 90 just after mid- night.

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Devotional Page

LIVING BY THE SEA

Sitting by big sliding glass doors in the dining area of my daughter's home I have the opportunity of watching God open another beautiful day on His earth. Even though it is a crisp fall morning the pleasantries of seeing the sun come up and unfold how magnificent God's handiwork radiates under the beams of the morning light is simply incredible. My daughter's home is located on an inlet from the sea and as I watch the tide go out reminds me of how the lives of many people are disguised by so many factors surrounding them. As yesterday's hours passed away the tide was in and became a wide body of water that was very pleasant to the eye. It was inviting to look at and offered so many possibilities from a creative mind of whether to go swimming, boating, fishing, or simply sitting on the dock enjoying the view. What lay below the water on the bottom could not be seen because the water was too deep. As I look out these doors this morning I am reminded of what my life is and what the life of others can be. For many of us we are only visualized from the outside and no one

really knows what is going on inside of us. No one knows what is deep inside of us and where our thoughts take us when no one is watching. No one knows what kind of person we are when we are not among friends and off in another place where our thoughts and actions can be presented without damaging or tarnishing our reputation. It is hard to visualize someone unless you know their innermost thoughts, desires, and pain. As the tide is out this morning the beautiful wide body of water has disappeared and the width of the stream is down to eight or ten feet wide. You can see the muddy balls of dirt on the banks along with the underbrush that was not visible the night before. The docks are sitting four to six feet higher off the water than they were last night. I can see very clearly what the water was hiding since the morning sun has risen and given new vision to a new day. What is your life like? Does the reflection you project to others seem to be much better than it really is? Are you like the tide when it goes out and all of your sins become visible for others to see and what is hidden below your best appearance is ex-

posed? Keeping problems bottled up inside of you will only lead to an early destruction of your life. God only gives us so much to handle during our lifetime and He will never overload us. Many of us become so burdened with our life or the direction we are headed that we try to overcome problems or symptoms without anyone knowing. God knows all of our problems and all of our needs and He will put Christian family, friends, and others around us to help us. He doesn't want any of His children suffering and He will talk to us through His Word and through others. We need to confess our sins and come to Him with an open heart and ask Him to lead us in any situation we encounter. Always remember the saying that, "If God brings you to it; He will bring you through it." I pray that all of us will live our life according to God's will and not ours. Let's not be like the tide that comes in at night and rolls out during the morning. Let's be consistent in what we do, what we think, and how we act.

SUGGESTED DAILY BIBLE READINGS

SUNDAY –
Ecclesiastes 2:17-26
MONDAY –
Philippians 4:4-9
TUESDAY –
Psalm 94:16-19
WEDNESDAY –
Luke 12:22-34
THURSDAY –
Nehemiah 8:1-6
FRIDAY –
Hebrews 13:4-6
SATURDAY –
Isaiah 6:1-6

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NOW THEREFORE, I, Russell S. Manning, Special Commissioner, as aforesaid, will on the 24th day of June, 2020, offer for sale and sell during the legal hours (between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.) at the Main Door of the Hancock County Courthouse, located in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, at public outcry, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described property, together with the appurtenances and improvements thereunto belonging, or in any wise appertaining, lying and being situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

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The above being the identical property described in the foregoing Modification of Deed of Trust as corrected by the aforesaid described Chancery Court Order.

The title to the above property is believed to be good; however, I will convey only such title as is vested in me under the terms and conditions of the aforementioned Order and Deed of Trust.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE this the 26th day of May, 2020.

/s/Russell S. Manning
RUSSELL S. MANNING,
Special Commissioner
SALE: June 24, 2020
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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

In the Matter of the ESTATE of ELAINE JOAN BRENNAN MCCLAIN, Deceased

CAUSE NO. 23CHI-16-cv-814-MA
BY: SUSAN ELIZABETH MCCLAIN, Executrix

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters Testamentary having been issued by the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, on the 20th day of January, 2017, to the undersigned as Executrix of the Estate of ELAINE JOAN BRENNAN MCCLAIN, Deceased, in the above styled and numbered cause, in said Court, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the Estate of ELAINE JOAN BRENNAN MCCLAIN, Deceased, to have the same probated and registered by the Clerk of the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi within ninety (90) days from the date of first publication hereof, and that failure to probate and register any such claim within said ninety (90) day period will forever bar the same.

THIS, the 12th day of February, 2020.

/s/ Susan Elizabeth McClain
SUSAN ELIZABETH MCCLAIN, Executrix
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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CAMERON WEBB KUNTZMAN, DECEASED

CAUSE NO.: 23CHI-20-cv-00213-MA
RACHEL SCHMITT, PETITIONER
EXECUTRIX'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 27th day of May, 2020, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of Cameron Webb Kuntzman, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration according to law within ninety (90) days from this date, or they will be forever barred.

THIS 3rd day of June, 2020.

/s/ RACHEL SCHMITT
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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

AMERICAN PRIDE PROPERTIES, LLC
PLAINTIFF
VERSUS

CAUSE NO.: 23CHI-20-CV-248JS
GLENDA KENMAR HEARNDON A/K/A
GLENDA K. HEARNDON; ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS OF GLENDA KENMAR HEARNDON A/K/A GLENDA K. HEARNDON; LINDA MILLER GREER; ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS OF LINDA MILLER GREER; HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI; JOEL SMITH, IN HIS CAPACITY AS DISTRICT ATTORNEY FOR HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI; THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI; AND ALL OTHER PERSONS, FIRMS AND CORPORATIONS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN THE WITHIN DESCRIBED LAND LOCATED IN HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, WHICH WAS SOLD FOR HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI AD VALOREM TAXES ON AUGUST 31, 2017 VIZ: LOTS 5-9 BK 43 BSL LAND & IMP CO SEC 35 TWP 08 RANGE 14W PARCEL #: 137L-0-35-103-000 DIST: 1050 CITY: 1 SCHOOL: 1 PPIN: 000010771

DEFENDANTS
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
TO: GLENDA KENMAR HEARNDON A/K/A GLENDA K. HEARNDON; ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS OF GLENDA KENMAR HEARNDON A/K/A GLENDA K. HEARNDON; LINDA MILLER GREER; ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS OF LINDA MILLER GREER; HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI; JOEL SMITH, IN HIS CAPACITY AS DISTRICT ATTORNEY FOR HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI; THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI; AND ALL OTHER PERSONS, FIRMS AND CORPORATIONS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN THE WITHIN DESCRIBED LAND LOCATED IN HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, WHICH WAS SOLD FOR HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI AD VALOREM TAXES ON AUGUST 31, 2017 VIZ: LOTS 5-9 BK 43 BSL LAND & IMP CO SEC 35 TWP 08 RANGE 14W PARCEL #: 137L-0-35-103-000 DIST: 1050 CITY: 1 SCHOOL: 1 PPIN: 000010771

NOTICE

This is a suit by AMERICAN PRIDE PROPERTIES, LLC, to quiet and confirm title in themselves to that certain property legally described as:

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The above being property acquired by GLENDA KENMAR HEARNDON A/K/A GLENDA K. HEARNDON; by virtue of two separate deeds the first being for Lots 5-7 via that certain Quitclaim Deed granted to

Frank T. Miller, III, Rachel Lynn Torres, and Adam F. Creech dated March 12, 2012 and recorded on March 27, 2012 in Book 2012 at Page 3097 in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi. She obtained Lots 8-11 via that certain Quitclaim Deed dated July 26, 1982 and filed on July 27, 1982 and recorded in Book AA61 at Page 132 in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk. Plaintiff, American Pride Properties, LLC, obtained its interest in the subject property by virtue of a Quitclaim Deed and Assignment granted by MS TL, LLC, dated December 4, 2019 and recorded on December 23, 2019 in Deed Book 2019 at Page 15304 in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi. MS TL, LLC, being the highest and best bidder at the tax sale dated August 31, 2017 for the 2016 Hancock County, Mississippi ad valorem taxes which were not redeemed, and was granted a Chancery Clerk's Conveyance for the subject property on October 7, 2019, recorded in Deed Book 2019 at Page 12398 in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

If you have a legal or equitable claim or interest in the real property or personal property contained therein, you are required to mail or hand-deliver a copy of your response to the Complaint to Quiet and Confirm Title and For Other Relief to the attorney for the Plaintiffs, Lewie G. Negretto IV, Esq., whose physical address is 133 Davis Avenue, Suite L, Pass Christian, Mississippi 39571. YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED WITHIN THIRTY DAYS FROM THE 3RD DAY OF JUNE 2020, WHICH IS THE DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT

You must also file the original of your Response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward. The address of the Clerk of this Court is 152 Main Street Bay Saint Louis, MS 39520 (SEAL)
Timothy A Keller
CHANCERY CLERK
HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
By: Tammy Meyer, DC
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DATED: 5/26/20
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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF SARAH LORETTA MOONEY, DECEASED
CAUSE NO. C2301-2020-118(1)
JEAN DEREK MOONEY
PETITIONER
SUMMONS
RULE 81 SUMMONS
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

TO: THE KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS-AT-LAW OF SARAH LORETTA MOONEY, Deceased, whose present residence and address is unknown. You have been made a Defendant in the lawsuit filed in this Court by JEAN DEREK MOONEY, Administrator. NOTICE TO DEFENDANT
THE COMPLAINT OR PETITION WHICH IS ATTACHED TO THIS SUMMONS IS IMPORTANT AND YOU MUST TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR RIGHTS.

You are summoned to appear and defendant against said Complaint or Petition at 9:00 a.m. ON THE 1st DAY OF JULY, 2020, in the Courtroom of the Harrison County Courthouse at Gulfport, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend a Judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the Complaint or Petition.

You are not required to file an Answer or other pleading, but you may do so if you desire. Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this the 28 day of May 2020. (SEAL)
TIM KELLAR, CHANCERY COURT CLERK
HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
BY: /s/ Bridgette Ladner, D.C.
Publication Dates: 06/03/20, 06/10/20, 06/17/20

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
YOUTH COURT DIVISION
HANCOCK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF CHILD PROTECTION SERVICES, BY MARCUS D. DAVENPORT, AND HUNTER ALAN SPILLMAN, RESPONDENTS
COUNTRY COURT SUMMONS
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
TO: Christopher Alan Spillman, whose last known address is 266 Fairway Drive, Winter Haven, FL 33881 and who is not to be found in the State of Mississippi on diligent inquiry and whose post office address is not known to the Petitioners after diligent inquiry made by said Petitioners.

You have been made a Respondent in the suit filed in this Court by the Hancock County Department of Child Protection Services, by Marcus D. Davenport, Deputy Director or Child Protection Services, and H.A.S., a minor, seeking to terminate your parental rights as those rights relate to said minor and demanding that the full custody, control and authority to act on behalf of said minor be placed with the Hancock County Department of Child Protection Services. There are no other Respondent other than you in this action.

YOU ARE SUMMONED TO APPEAR AND DEFEND AGAINST THE PETITION FILED AGAINST YOU IN THIS ACTION AT 9:00 A.M. ON THE 10TH DAY OF JULY, 2020 IN THE COURTROOM OF THE COUNTY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY BAY ST. LOUIS, MISSISSIPPI, AND IN CASE OF YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR AND DEFEND, A JUDGMENT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE PETITION.

You are not required to file an answer or other pleading, but you may do so if you desire. ISSUED under my hand and seal of said Court, this 29th day of May, 2020.
BY: Valerie L. Ladner, D.C.
KENDRA NECAISE, COUNTY CLERK
HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN RE: ESTATE OF ALICE B. HOLMES, DECEASED

CAUSE NO. 23CHI-20-cv-249-MA
EXECUTOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS

OF ALICE B. HOLMES

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 1st day of June, 2020, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the estate of ALICE B. HOLMES, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for Probate and registered according

to law within 90 days from this date, or they will be forever barred.

This 1st day of June, A.D., 2020.
JAMES R. HOLMES, EXECUTOR
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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF SHIRLEY JANE VALLERY, Deceased
CAUSE NO.: 19-CV-655 (CB)
STEPHEN WAYNE VALLERY;
KIRK CHARLES VALLERY;
JERRY EVANS VALLERY; AND
MARK CLARK VALLERY
CO-PETITIONERS/ADMINISTRATOR
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SUMMONS

(Service by Publication: Resident Unknown)
TO: UNKNOWN CREDITORS-AT-LAW, whose whereabouts and address is unknown. You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by Co-Petitioners, STEPHEN WAYNE VALLERY; KIRK CHARLES VALLERY; JERRY EVANS VALLERY; and MARK CLARK VALLERY. You are summoned to appear and defend against said Petition to Establish Creditors on a date certain set by Fiat, at 9:00 a.m. on the 3rd day of August, 2020, in the courtroom of the Harrison County Chancery Court, Mississippi, located at 1801 23rd Avenue, Gulfport, MS, and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a Judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the Petition.

You are not required to file an answer or other pleading, but you may do so if you so desire.
ISSUED under my hand and the seal of Court this, the 29th day of May, 2020.
(Seal)
TIM KELLAR
Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi
BY: /s/ Cassie Tribble, D. C.
06/10/20, 06/17/20, 06/24/20

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF SHIRLEY JANE VALLERY, Deceased
CAUSE NO.: 19-CV-655 (CB)
STEPHEN WAYNE VALLERY;
KIRK CHARLES VALLERY;
JERRY EVANS VALLERY; AND
MARK CLARK VALLERY
CO-PETITIONERS/ADMINISTRATOR
UNKNOWN HEIRS-AT-LAW
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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

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Bid specifications are available, upon request, from Robin Benoit of the Hancock County Purchasing Department, 854 Hwy 90, Suite A, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 or by calling 228-466-8231, or by visiting: <http://www.hancockcounty.ms.gov/pages/purchasing-department.aspx>

All envelopes must be marked on the outside of the envelope "BID ENCLOSED" and listing the bid item and bid opening date. All envelopes must be received in the Hancock County Board of Supervisors Office, 854 Hwy 90, Suite A, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 no later than 10:00 a.m. on the day of the bid opening, July 6, 2020. The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Published by Order of the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County, Mississippi, on the 18th day of May, 2020.
Scotty Adam, President
Board of Supervisors
Hancock County, Mississippi
By: Kathleen Stieffel
Deputy Chancery Clerk
06/17/20, 06/24/20

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06/17/20, 06/24/20

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

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Hancock County, Mississippi
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Deputy Chancery Clerk
06/17/20, 06/24/20

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE

WHEREAS, EDWARD RALPH VAROS, JR., a single person, as Grantor, executed a certain

2020. Offer for sale, either in whole or in parcels, and sell at public auction and outcry within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.), on the Front Steps of the Hancock County Courthouse, at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, to the highest and best bidder for cash the following described property situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to-wit:

Lots 3 and 4, Square 730, Shoreline Park Subdivision, Unit No. 11, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per plat of said subdivision of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

I WILL CONVEY only such title as is vested in me as Substitute Trustee.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this, the 3rd day of June, 2020.

/s/John T. Rouse

John T. Rouse

McClintchy Stafford, PLLC

1020 Highland Colony Pkwy, Ste 702

Ridgeland, Mississippi 39157

Telephone: (769) 524-2300

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE

06/10/20, 06/17/20, 06/24/20, 07/01/20

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

RICHARD MARSHALL

PLAINTIFF

V.S.

CAUSE NO. 20-CV-272-JS

WILLIE MCLEOD, WILBEC PROPERTIES, LLC,

CITY OF DIAMONDHEAD, HANCOCK COUNTY, STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, AND ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES IN INTEREST

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO: WILLIE MCLEOD, WILBEC PROPERTIES, LLC, CITY OF DIAMONDHEAD, HANCOCK COUNTY, STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, AND ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES IN INTEREST AND ANY AND ALL PERSONS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY INTEREST IN AND TO THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THE COMPLAINT WHOSE ADDRESSES AND POST OFFICE BOXES ARE UNKNOWN AFTER DILIGENT SEARCH AND INQUIRY.

You have been made Defendants in the suit filed in this Court by Richard Marshall, Plaintiff, seeking confirmation of title in certain real property located in Hancock County, Mississippi, being more particularly described as:

Lots 9, Block 6, Diamondhead, Phase 1, Unit 7, Addition 1, as per the map or plat on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi. Also described as Parcel #067K-2-36-074.000. The other Defendants in this action are: The State of Mississippi, Hancock County, Mississippi, Joel Smith District Attorney for Hancock County, Mississippi, and the City of Diamondhead.

You are required to mail or hand deliver a written response to the Complaint to Dara Skinner, Attorney for Plaintiff, whose physical address is 1081 Tina Ladner-Vic Faye Road, Pass Christian, Mississippi 39571. YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE 10TH DAY OF JUNE, 2020, WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THE SUMMONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT.

You must also file the original of your Response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward.

Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court this 4th day of June, 2020.

TIMOTHY A. KELLAR, CHANCERY CLERK

OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

BY: /s/ Ashley N Howell, D.C. (SEAL)

06/10/20, 06/17/20, 06/24/20

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

RICHARD MARSHALL

PLAINTIFF

V.S.

CAUSE NO. 23CHI: 20CV-273-JP

ANDRIES BUTLER, CITY OF DIAMONDHEAD

HANCOCK COUNTY, STATE OF MISSISSIPPI,

AND ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES IN INTEREST

DEFENDANTS

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO: ANDRIES BUTLER, CITY OF DIAMONDHEAD, HANCOCK COUNTY, STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, AND ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES IN INTEREST AND TO THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THE COMPLAINT WHOSE ADDRESSES AND POST OFFICE BOXES ARE UNKNOWN AFTER DILIGENT SEARCH AND INQUIRY.

You have been made Defendants in the suit filed in this Court by Richard Marshall, Plaintiff, seeking confirmation of title in certain real property located in Hancock County, Mississippi, being more particularly described as:

Lots 18, Block 9, Diamondhead, Phase 2, Unit 4A, as per the map or plat on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi. Also described as Parcel #067F-2-26-110.000. The other Defendants in this action are: The State of Mississippi, Hancock County, Mississippi, Joel Smith District Attorney for Hancock County, Mississippi, and the City of Diamondhead.

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(SEAL)

TIMOTHY A. KELLAR, CHANCERY CLERK

OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

BY: /s/ Tammy Meyer, D.C. (SEAL)

06/10/20, 06/17/20, 06/24/20

LEGAL NOTICE

INVITATION FOR BIDS

Sealed bids will be received by the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission (herein called "HCPHC" or the "Owner") in the Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission's Robert Kane Administration Center, Harry Farve Board Room 14054 Fred and Al Key road, Kilm, Mississippi 39521 until July 10, 2020, 3:00 P.M. at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud for the following as described in the de-tailed specifications: Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission Stennis International Airport New Corporate Hangar – API806 MM-0005-1419

Construction will consist of furnishing, installing, and otherwise completing the Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission Stennis International Airport New Corporate Hangar Building as described in the Bid Construction Documents (Drawings, Specifications, and Addenda).

Project Description:

The project will consist of new construction of a 10,000'-/- Square Foot hangar building and associated site work to include grading, paving and utilities.

Any Contract awarded under this Advertisement for Bids may be paid for in whole or in part with grant funding.

ALL BIDDERS must be properly licensed contractors at the time of submitting bids in accordance with the provisions of the State of Mississippi and must indicate their current Mississippi Certificate of Responsibility

number on the outside of the sealed envelope containing their Bid, and on their Bid.

In the letting of public contracts, preference shall be given to resident contractors, and a nonresident bidder domiciled in a state, city, county, parish, province, nation, or political subdivision having laws granting preference to local contractors shall be awarded Mississippi public contracts only on the same basis as the nonresident bidder's state, city, county, parish, province, nation or political subdivision awards contracts to Mississippi contractors bidding under similar circumstances. Resident contractors actually domiciled in Mississippi, be they corporate, individuals or partnerships, are to be granted preference over nonresidents in awarding of contracts in the same manner and to the same extent as pro-vided by the laws of the state, city, county, parish, province, nation or political subdivision of domicile of the nonresident. In order to assure compliance, state law requires a non-resident bidder to attach to his bid a copy of his/her resident state's current laws pertaining to such state's treatment of non-resident contractors.

Bid documents are being made available via paper or digital copy. Plan holders are required to log-on or register for an account at www.mbakernplanroom.com to view and order Bid Documents. All plan hold-ers are required to have a valid email address for registration. Bid documents are non-refundable and must be purchased through the website. For anyone interested in submitting bids electronically in place of a sealed bid, they may do so only through www.mbakernplanroom.com. Questions regarding website registration, online orders or electronic bidding, please contact Plan House Printing at (228) 248-0181.

Each bid must be submitted in duplicate with bid security in accordance with the instructions to bidders which are found in the Project Manual. The Owner reserves the right to waive irregularities and to reject any or all bids.

Each electronically submitted bid must be submitted in "pdf" format and shall contain the same infor-mation and forms as required for the paper bids. Note – electronic bids must be secured with a bid bond. In the event that an electronically submitted bid has a corrupted attachment, the bid will be con-sidered null and void.

A formal Bid bond signed or countersigned by a Mississippi Resident Agent with Power of Attorney at-tached, a Cashier's check, or a Certified Check for five (5%) percent of the bid amount payable to the Owner must accompany each proposal.

THE HANCOCK COUNTY PORT AND HARBOR COMMISSION reserves the right to waive any informalities or irregularities in the bids received and to reject any or all bids or to award or refrain from awarding the contract for the work, whichever is deemed to be in the Owner's best interests.

In order to be considered, a bid for the Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission New Hangar Build-ing, must be sealed, and have clearly written on the face of the envelope the following: Sealed bid en-closed for Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission Stennis International Airport New Corporate Hangar Building to be opened 2:00 P.M. local time, Friday, July 10, 2020.

An informational pre-bid conference and site walk through will be held on June 24, 2020 at 10:00 A.M. local time. The meeting will be conducted on the proposed project site and all bidders are urged to at-tend.

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The attention of bidders is directed to the provisions of the various sections of the Project Manual per-taining to irregular proposals and rejection of bids.

BY: Tom Koger

FOR: Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission

TITLE: Commission Secretary

BID OPENING: Friday, July 10, 2020, 3:00 P.M.

06/10/20, 06/17/20

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

BROOKE AVERHART-TRAN

PLAINTIFF

VERSUS

CAUSE NO. 20-53 JS

FRANCIS JOSEPH LOMBARDO, III, LYNN FITCH, IN HER CAPACITY AS ATTORNEY GENERAL, JOEL SMITH, IN HIS CAPACITY AS DISTRICT ATTORNEY, HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI; AND ALL PERSONS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY INTEREST IN THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED LAND, SOLD FOR TAXES ON AUGUST 31, 2009: PT SW 1/4 (GOV'T LOT) SEC. 17-9-14

PARCEL NO. 164G-0-17-072.000

DEFENDANTS

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

TO: Francis Joseph Lombardo, III, whose place of residence, post office, and street address are unknown to Plaintiff after diligent search and inquiry

You have been made a Defendant in the Complaint filed by Brooke Averhart-Tran seeking to confirm and quiet title to the above described real property. Defendants other than you in this action are Lynn Fitch, in her capacity as Attorney General, Joel Smith, in his capacity as District Attorney of Hancock County, Mississippi, Hancock County Mississippi, and all persons having or claiming any interest in the following described land sold for taxes on August 31, 2009, viz: PT SW 1/4 (GOV'T LOT) SEC. 17-9-14 PARCEL NO. 164G-0-17-072.000.

You are required to mail or hand deliver a written response to the Complaint to Michelle Luber Elliott, Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 600 E. Railroad Street, Suite A, Long Beach, Mississippi 39560. Your response must be mailed or delivered not later than 30-days after the date of the first publication of this Summons. If your response is not so mailed or delivered, a judgment by default will be entered against you for the money or other relief demanded in the Complaint. You must also file the original of your response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward. Issued under my hand and the seal of this Court, this the 5th day of June, 2020.

TIMOTHY A. KELLAR, Chancery Court Clerk

By: Bridgette Ladner, D.C.

06/10/20, 06/17/20, 06/24/20

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By: Bridgette Ladner, D.C.

06/10/20, 06/17/20, 06/24/20

TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE

WHEREAS, on May 12, 2017, YOLLO, LLC executed a deed of trust to J. Patrick Caldwell, as Trustee for the benefit of BancorpSouth Bank, which deed of trust is recorded in Book 2017, beginning at page 10499, in the records in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, default having been made under the terms and conditions of said deed of trust, and the holder of said deed of trust and the indebtedness secured thereby, the aforesaid BancorpSouth Bank, having requested the undersigned Trustee to execute the trust and to sell the land and property described in said deed of trust in accordance with the terms thereof for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder, together with attorney's fees, Trustee's fees and expenses of sale;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. Patrick Caldwell, as Trustee under the said deed of trust, will on the 9th day of July, 2020, offer for sale at public outcry for cash to the highest and best bidder, and sell within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M.), at the main front door of the County Courthouse of Hancock County at Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi, the following described property and land lying and being situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, being more particularly described as follows,

A parcel of land situated in Lots 167 and 177, First Ward, Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi, being more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at the Northeast corner of Lot 163, First Ward, Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi; thence along the South margin of Felicity Street, North 70 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West 359.00 feet to a fence corner post found; thence along a cyclone fence, South 20 degrees 57 minutes 36 seconds West 134.77 feet to a square iron rod found; thence further along said cyclone fence, South 20 degrees 59 minutes 26 seconds West 265.67 feet to an iron rod found; thence further along said cyclone fence South 20 degrees 23 minutes 14 seconds West 446.94 feet to an iron pipe found on the South line of Lot 177, First Ward, Bay St. Louis; thence along the South line of Lot 177, First Ward Bay St. Louis, North 70 degrees 12 minutes 23 seconds West 207.39 feet to a pipe set at the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence further along the South line of Lot 177, North 70 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West 161.99 feet to a pipe set; thence North 20 degrees 24 minutes 59 seconds East 302.18 feet to a fence corner post; thence South 69 degrees 36 minutes 23 seconds East 112.89 feet to an iron rod; thence North 20 degrees 06 minutes 05 seconds East 69.66 feet to an iron pipe found; thence South 69 degrees 41 minutes 24 seconds East 100.01 feet to an iron pipe found; thence South 04 degrees 01 minutes 21 seconds East 50.82 feet to an iron rod found; thence South 32 degrees 50 minutes 46 seconds West 332.42 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING; containing 1.53 acres of land, more or less; said property having access through a 20 foot wide easement as shown and described herein.

Easement:

A 20-foot wide ingress and egress easement situated in Lots 163, 165 and 167, First Ward, Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi, centerline being described as follows: Commencing at the Northeast corner of Lot 163, First Ward, Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi; thence along the South margin of Felicity Street, North 70 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West 458.34 feet to the centerline of a 20 foot wide easement, marking the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence South 25 degrees 05 minutes 42 seconds West 157.01 feet; thence South 35 degrees 00 minutes 47 seconds West 39.48 feet; thence South 25 degrees 37 minutes 04 seconds West 150.38 feet; thence South 15 degrees 12 minutes 42 seconds West 69.51 feet; thence South 29 degrees 50 minutes 07 seconds West 46.91 feet; thence South 42 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West 47.00 feet to the POINT OF TERMINATION. It being the intention of the Grantor to grant a 20-foot easement from Felicity Street to the property herein conveyed.

I WILL CONVEY only such title as is vested in me as Trustee, without warranty of title. WITNESS MY SIGNATURE on this, the 8th day of June, 2020.

/s/ J. Patrick Caldwell, Trustee

J. PATRICK CALDWELL

Trustee

207 Court Street

Tupelo, Mississippi 38804

(662) 842-8945

06/17/20, 06/24/20, 07/01/20, 07/08/20

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

INITIAL HEARING

The City of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, is considering applying to the Mississippi Development Authority for a Small Cities Community Development Block Grant of up to \$600,000 for drainage infrastructure repair on the 500 blocks of St. John and Easterbrook.

The State of Mississippi has been allocated approximately \$4,000,000 that will be made available to cities, towns and counties on a competitive basis to undertake eligible community development activities. These funds must be used to benefit low-and moderate-income persons.

The activities for which these funds may be used are in the areas of public facilities and economic development. More specific details regarding eligible activities, program requirements and the rating system will be provided at a public hearing which will be held at the City Council Chambers on 598 Main Street on Thursday, June 25th at 5:30pm. The purpose of this hearing will be to obtain citizen input into the development of the application.

All comments are welcome and must be submitted in writing. For those unable to attend this meeting, written comments will be considered until the close of business on Tuesday, June 23rd, 2020. Written comments should be mailed to the City Council Chambers and addressed to the Clerk of Council Caitlin Bourgeois at 598 Main Street Bay St. Louis, MS 39520.

06/10/20, 06/17/20, 06/24/20

PUBLIC NOTICE For PUBLIC MEETINGS

TWIN DISTRICTS

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT AREA

Twin Districts Local Elected Officials Board Meeting

Tuesday, June 23, 2020

9:30 a.m.

Twin Districts Workforce Development Area Board Meeting

Tuesday, June 23, 2020

11:00 a.m.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions regarding health and safety, both meetings will be held through electronic means. For access information, please send your email address to gwesley@smpdd.com or call Grant Wesley at 228-314-1489. You will be sent log-in and/or call-in information closer to the meeting date. Meeting minutes may also be requested.

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BEFORE THE MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

2020-UA-41

COOPERATIVE ENERGY

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COAST ELECTRIC POWER ASSOCIATION

EA020005600

IN RE:

JOINT PETITION OF COOPERATIVE ENERGY AND COAST ELECTRIC POWER ASSOCIATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY AUTHORIZING THEM TO

ACQUIRE, CONSTRUCT, OWN AND OPERATE ELECTRICAL TRANSMISSION LINE AND SUBSTATION FACILITIES IN HANCOCK AND HARRISON COUNTIES, MISSISSIPPI (SOUTH DIAMONDHEAD) NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that on the 31st day of March 2020, Cooperative Energy and Coast Electric Power Association filed with the Mississippi Public Service Commission the above referenced matter.

Any person desiring to participate in or receive further notice of these proceedings is required under RP 6.121 of the Public Utility Rules of Practice and Procedure of Mississippi Public Service Commission and Public Utilities Staff to file a written petition to intervene on or before twenty (20) days from the publication date of this notice. This cause is returnable to the regular meeting of the Commission to be held at 10:00 A.M., Tuesday, July 7, 2020, at the Mississippi Public Service Commission Hearing Room, 1st Floor, Woolfolk State Office Building, Jackson, Mississippi. If a hearing is required, the Commission, by subsequent order, will set a time and place for said hearing. This cause is subject to being set for disposition on a hearing date not less than twenty (20) days from the date of publication of this Notice. If protest, answer or other appropriate pleading is on file in response to this matter, the Commission will consider same on said hearing date.

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE OFFICIAL SEAL of the Mississippi Public Service Commission, on this, the 12th day of June, 2020.

Katherine Collier

Executive Secretary

(SEAL)

06/17/20

PUBLIC NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR COASTAL WETLANDS PERMIT AND WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION

Hancock County Board of Supervisors has filed an application with the Department of Marine Resources requesting permission to conduct regulated activities under the provision of the Coastal Wetlands Protection Act, Title 49, Chapter 27, Mississippi Code of 1972.

The applicant is proposing renourishment of the sand beach by nearshore retrieval of sand. The project is located on North & South Beach Boulevard, Waveland & Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, MS. No re-nourishment is proposed between:

• 30.251935°N, -89.420995°W (Pointset Ave) and 30.265648°N, -89.388373°W (Dane Rd)

• 30.303158°N, -89.329669°W (Washington St) and 30.305638°N, -89.328339°W (Booker St.)

Near shore sand retrieval will occur in sections no larger than 2,000 feet long by 500 feet wide, located a minimum 250 feet from the existing seawall. The beach will have a design width of approximately 200 feet from the existing seawall, plus an intertidal zone of 50 feet. Sand will be removed in lifts of six inches or less with the total excavation depth not to exceed one foot. The annual proposed amount of retrieved sand is 100,000 cubic yards.

Project diagrams, and a copy of the full project application may be accessed at <https://dmr.ms.gov/permitting/>. A copy can also be mailed upon request.

In compliance with Section 401 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251, 1341), as amended by PL 95-217, the applicant will request certification from the Office of Pollution Control that the above mentioned activity will be in compliance with applicable provisions of Section 301 (33 U.S.C. 1311), Section 302 (33 U.S.C. 1312), Section 303 (U.S.C. 1313), Section 306 (U.S.C. 1316), and Section 307 (U.S.C. 1317) of the Act and appropriate requirements of the State Law. The applicant will be required to request and justify a variance to MDMR's Requirements for Regulated Activities, specifically to Miss. Admin. Code Title 22, Part 23, Chapter 8, Section 114.01 which states, "Permanent filling of coastal wetlands below the mean high tide line because of potential adverse and cumulative environmental impacts is not authorized" as well as the corresponding Requirement in the Mississippi Coastal Program.

Any person wishing to make comments or objections to the proposed regulated activity must submit those comments in writing to the Department of Marine Resources by mail to 1141 Bayview Avenue, Biloxi, Mississippi 39530; by fax to 228-374-5008; or by email to adam.terrell@dmr.ms.gov before 1:00 p.m. on the day July 7, 2004.

06/17/20, 06/24/20, 07/01/20

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN RE THE ESTATE OF:

ESTHER MORRIS CLESI, DECEASED

CAUSE NO.: 23CHI:20-cv-236-CB

BY: CAROL CLESI PERAINO and DIANE CLESI GARCIA, Co-Executrices

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters Testamentary having been issued by the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, on the 15th day of May, 2020, to the undersigned as Executrix of the Estate of Esther Morris Clesi, Deceased, in the above styled and numbered cause, in said Court, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the Estate of Esther Morris Clesi, Deceased, to have the same probated and registered by the Clerk of the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi within ninety (90) days from the date of first publication hereof, and that failure to probate and register any such claim within said ninety (90) day period will forever bar the same.

THIS, the 21st day of May, 2020.

/s/ Carol Clesi Peraino

CAROL CLESI PERAINO, Co-Executrix

/s/ Diane Clesi Garcia

DIANE CLESI GARCIA, Co-Executrix

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ORDINANCE NO. 378

AN ORDINANCE

GRANTING A NON-EXCLUSIVE ELECTRIC FRANCHISE TO MISSISSIPPI POWER COMPANY, ITS SUCCESSORS, AND ASSIGNS

IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF WAVELAND, MISSISSIPPI

BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Authority of the Municipality of Waveland Mississippi:

SECTION 1. In consideration of the benefits that will accrue to the Municipality of Waveland, Mississippi, and the Inhabitants thereof (the "Municipality"), and the payment by Mississippi Power Company (the "Grantee") to the Municipality of a sum of money equal to three percent (3%) per year of the total gross revenue of the Grantee from the retail sales of electric energy, excepting therefrom sales for resale and sales in interchange of energy with others, within the corporate limits of the Municipality, payable quarterly on or before thirty (30) days following the close of each calendar quarter during such period as the Grantee operates in said Municipality, but not to exceed twenty-five (25) years from the Effective date of the Ordinance (as defined in Section 16), Municipality does hereby grant to and vest in the Grantee, its successors and assigns as franchised activities, the right, authority, easement, privilege, and franchise to construct, erect, suspend, install, renew, repair, maintain, operate, and conduct in the Municipality as it now exists or may hereafter be extended, equipment, facilities, lines, including communication lines, plate or plants, and system or systems for the generation, transmission, or distribution of electric energy ("Primary Use"), including, without limitation, broadband services, internet access and services, telecommunication services, and fiber optic communication services that are for or in support of the Primary Use (collectively, "Franchised Activities"). The use of Authorized Facilities (as defined below) for any other purposes whatsoever, including without limitation, broadband services, internet access and services, telecommunication services, and fiber optic communication services that are not for or in support of the Primary Use and/or for or to any person entity other than the Grantee, regardless of whether for compensation ("Ancillary Use") shall be excluded from the franchise granted by this Ordinance and the calculation and payment of such fees shall be governed solely by sepa-

rate franchises, agreements, or ordinances of the Municipality applicable to such Ancillary Use and to obtain a franchise, agreement, or ordinance in connection with such Ancillary Use. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, the use of any facilities constructed, maintained, and operated for or in support of the Primary Use shall not be governed by any other franchise agreement or ordinance.

SECTION 2. To facilitate the Franchised Activities, Municipality does hereby give and grant to, and vest in, Grantee, its successors and assigns, the further right, authority, easement, privilege, and franchise to construct, erect, suspend, install, renew, repair, maintain, operate and conduct in the Municipality for such Franchised Activities a system (s) of poles, towers, conduits, cables, giver, wires, conductors, transforming stations, plants, fittings, and all appliances or appurtenances needed to pursue, promote, and carry out the Primary Use (such system and its components collectively referred to herein as, "Authorized Facilities") in, over, under, along, upon, and across all streets, avenues, alleys, ways, bridges, and public places in the Municipality as they now exist or may hereafter be laid out or extended together with the further right, privilege, and franchise to construct, erect, suspend, install, renew, repair, maintain, and operate such Authorized Facilities within, into, though, over, under, across, and beyond the Municipality and furnishing, supplying and distributing to the Municipality and to the inhabitants, corporations and other entities (public or private) (collectively with the Municipality, "Inhabitants"), both within and beyond the limits thereof, electric energy for lighting, heating, power security and surveillance, and all other purposes for which electric energy and related facilities may be used or hereafter, and for the purpose of extending its lines and furnishing electric energy beyond the limits of the Municipality further agrees, for itself and its inhabitants, in consideration for the Supplemental Fees paid by the Grantee, that it will not compete in any manner with Grantee for the generation, including self-generation or self-supply, transmission, distribution, or sale of electric energy, including but not limited to any attempt, directly or indirectly, to acquire such a system, as such terms are defined in title 21, Chapter 27, Section 11 of the Mississippi Code of 1972 as amended. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, Grantee's Franchised Activities shall not include any work or project that does not support the Primary Use; should Grantee desire to construct, maintain, or operate any equipment of facilities that are not Authorized Facilities to support the Primary Use, Grantee agrees to obtain a separate franchise agreement under any applicable ordinance governing franchises for such facilities and such contemplated activities, and to comply with any governing or applicable ordinance with respect to the construction, location and use of such facilities and such contemplated activities, and to comply with any governing or applicable Ordinance with respect to the construction, location, and use of such facilities, infrastructure, and activities, including the payment of any fees by Grantee to Municipality associated with such franchise.

SECTION 3. In further consideration for the fees paid by Grantee to Municipality hereunder, the rights provided to Grantee herein shall specifically include the right for Grantee to install, at its election and costs electric vehicle charging stations ("EV Chargers") in locations designated or approved in advance by the Municipality in writing and permitted by law to accommodate such uses. All EV Chargers installed in such designated or approved locations shall, unless set out otherwise in a separate agreement, constitute Authorized Facilities and shall be maintained by Grantee in a reasonably good condition and repair. All such usage shall be metered and bill by Grantee to users of the EV Chargers at rates set by Grantee, unless such rates are otherwise subject to the jurisdiction of the Mississippi Public Service Commission, its success or, or any other authority with jurisdiction over Grantee's rates for electric energy sales (Regulatory Authority").

In addition, Municipality shall have the right, at its election and cost, to require Grantee to install EV Chargers at locations of Municipality's choosing within the Municipality, the usage of which shall be metered and bill to the Municipality.

SECTION 4. The Authorized Facilities shall be so installed or constructed as not unreasonably to interfere with the proper use of the streets avenues, alleys, ways, bridges and public places in the Municipality and shall be maintained all in a reasonably good condition and repair.

SECTION 5. whenever the Grantee shall cause any opening or alteration to be made in any the streets, avenues, alleys, ways bridges, or public places of the Municipality for the purpose of installing, maintain, operating, or repair any Authorized Facilities, the work shall be completed within a reasonable time; and the Grantee shall, upon the completion of such work, restore such portion of the streets, avenues, alleys, ways bridges, or other public places to as good a condition as it was before the opening or alteration was so made.

SECTION 6. The Grantee shall indemnify and hold Municipality harmless from any and all liability or damages resulting from the negligence of the Grantee in the construction, maintenance or operation of its Authorized Facilities.

SECTION 7. the Grantee may, from time to time, declare, make, and enforce reasonable rules and regulations as conditions for the sale and distribution by it of electric energy to any person, firm or corporation, not however, in conflict with or repugnant to the jurisdiction of the Mississippi Public Service Commission under the provisions or Title 77, Chapter 3, Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended.

SECTION 8. In the event the supply of electric energy shall be interrupted or fail by reason of accident or otherwise, beyond the Control of the Grantee, the Grantee shall restore the service within a reasonable time and such interruption shall not constitute a breach of this franchise, nor shall the Grantee be liable for damage by reason of such interruption or failure.

SECTION 9. Wherever in the Ordinance either the Municipality or the Grantee is named or referred to, if shall be deemed to include the respective successors or assigns or either, and all rights privileges, and obligations herein conferred shall bind and inure to the benefit of such successors or assigns of the Municipality or the Grantee. Further, if during the term of this franchise, the boundaries of the Municipality are expanded, the Municipality will promptly notify Grantee in writing of any geographic areas annex b the Municipality ("ANNEXATION NOTICE"). Any such Annexation Notice shall be sent to Grantee by certified mail, return receipt requested, and shall contain the effective date of the annexation, maps showing the annexed area and such other information as may be reasonably required to ascertain whether Grantee services any customers in the annexed area. To the extent there are such customers of Grantee situated in the annexed area, then the revenues provided for in Section 1 of this Ordinance shall be calculated to include those customers effective on the first day of Grantee's billing cycle immediately following Grantee's receipt of the Annexation Notice. Failure by the Municipality to advise Grantee in writing through the proper Annexation Notice of any geographic areas which are annex by the Municipality shall relieve Grantee from any obligation to remit any franchise fees to Municipality based upon the gross revenues derived from customers with the annexed area until Municipality delivers an Annexation Notice in accordance with the terms set form herein.

SECTION 10. This franchise is in addition to and supplemental to any and all such rights as the Grantee may have by virtue of the provisions of title 77, Chapter 3, of the Mississippi code of 1972, as amended, and any other section of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended by the same may be legally binding or applicable to the Municipality or this franchise Ordinance, and its acceptance and exercise by the Grantee shall never be construed as a waiver, abandonment, nor limitation upon the rights now vested in or being exercised by the Grantee under any statute or law of the State of Mississippi. Nor shall the granting of this franchise be construed or operate to abridge, impair, or deny the validly held rights of any other distributor of electric energy within the Municipality, or portion thereof, by virtue either of a franchise from

the Municipality

William Carey University announces Spring 2020 President’s and Dean’s list

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William Carey University announces the undergraduate President’s and Dean’s List Scholars for the Spring 2020 Trimester. President’s List Scholars have a perfect 4.0 grade point average and Dean’s List Scholars must have at least a 3.5 grade point average; both lists require students to have no failing grade in any class. Local students earning these recognitions include:

Bay Saint Louis - President’s List: Taylor Nicole Lee, Ethan Gregory Loftin, Willie Christopher Moody, Meghan A. Morreale, Brandy Dawn-

nell Schenck. Dean’s List: JaQuan Drew Thomas

Diamondhead - Dean’s List: Heather Adelle Vaughan

Pass Christian - President’s List: Jalyn Christelle Barfield, Shannon Anise Swilley Broussard, Paula Michelle Hentges, Chasity Joann Isabelle, Hang My Truong. Dean’s List: Hadley Nicol Hill

Picayune - President’s List: Samantha Inez Burkett, Megan Elizabeth Dudenhefer, Charles Edwin Gilbert, Matthew Riascos. Dean’s List: Matysyn Aymee Harvel, Elisha M Pollitz, Lemetria LeAndra Roberts, Shelby Keith Sheffield, Tabatha Darlene Stogner

Mississippi College announces Dean’s List

SEA COAST ECHO

The Mississippi College Office of Academic Affairs releases the dean’s list after the close of fall and spring semesters each academic year. To be eligible for the Dean’s List, a student must maintain a 3.5 grade point average, based on a 4.0 system. The student must take a full course load of at least 12 semester hours of undergraduate credit with all academic courses impacting their grade point average.

Traylon Lewis of Bay St Louis (39520)

Marion Pohl of Bay Saint Louis (39520)

Maggie Stolz of Diamondhead (39525)

Mississippi College, affiliated with the Mississippi Baptist Convention, is a private, co-educational, Christian university of liberal arts and sciences serving more than 5,100 students, from 40 states and more than three dozen countries. Founded in 1826, Mississippi College is the oldest institution of higher learning

in Mississippi, the largest private university in the state and America’s second oldest Baptist college. Mississippi College is home to 84 areas of undergraduate study, 16 graduate programs, a doctor of jurisprudence, a doctor of education leadership degree and a doctor of professional counseling degree. Mississippi College seeks to be a university recognized for academic excellence and commitment to the cause of Christ.

• CRASH

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Chief Michael Taylor said that when firefighters first arrived, the car was engulfed in flames and on its side.

Crews crawled into the thigh-high, muddy water in an attempt to smother the flames, Taylor said, but the position of the vehicle made it difficult to fight the fire. Taylor said a tow truck chain was used to help a West Hancock firefighter pull the vehicle upright so the fire could be fought more easily and quickly.

A third party who had been passing by and saw the car in the ditch called central dispatch to report the accident, Taylor said.

It was unknown at the time if the car was occupied, Taylor said.

Raicevich was discovered among the debris and Hancock County Coroner Jim Faulk was called to the scene.

Mississippi Highway Patrol led the accident investigation. Officers from the Hancock County Sheriff’s Office also responded to the call and assisted at the scene.

The exact cause of the crash is unknown and is currently under investigation.

SPRING 2020 GRADUATES ANNOUNCED AT UA

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The University of Alabama awarded some 6,326 degrees this spring. Among the graduates was Elizabeth Carnathan of Diamondhead, MS, who received a Bachelor of Science in Human Environmental Sciences.

The recent change to remote learning during this unprecedented time affected the University’s plans for traditional commencement activities. However, commencement is a milestone, and the University wants graduates to have the opportunity to walk across the stage in celebration of their success. Although any plans are contingent on how the summer outlook progresses, all spring graduates are

invited to participate in the summer commencement events scheduled for Friday, July 31, and Saturday, Aug. 1.

“We will also be recognizing the achievements of our spring 2020 graduating class through online and social media outlets to highlight our shared pride in them,” said UA President Stuart Bell. “I look forward to congratulating each student on stage very soon.”

With dozens of challenging academic programs, expert and world-renowned faculty and numerous opportunities for service and growth, The University of Alabama is the place where legends are made. UA offers its students a premier educational, cultural and social experience with

more than 200 undergraduate, graduate and professional programs and gives students the opportunity to partner with faculty performing cutting-edge research.

The University of Alabama, the state’s oldest and largest public institution of higher education, is a student-centered research university that draws the best and brightest to an academic community committed to providing a premier undergraduate and graduate education. UA is dedicated to achieving excellence in scholarship, collaboration and intellectual engagement; providing public outreach and service to the state of Alabama and the nation; and nurturing a campus environment that fosters collegiality, respect and inclusivity.



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NOTICE OF PROPOSED AD VALOREM TAX EFFORT HANCOCK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Hancock County School District will hold a public hearing on its proposed school district budget for fiscal year 2021 on July 2nd, 2020 at 5:30 at the Superintendent Office, 17304 Hwy 603 Kiln, MS. At this meeting, a proposed ad valorem tax effort will be considered.

The Hancock County School District is now operating with projected total budget revenue of \$46,702,800. Of that amount, 37.00 percent or \$17,078,435 of such revenue is obtained through ad valorem taxes. For next fiscal year, the proposed budget has total projected revenue of \$45,903,418. Of that amount, 38.00 percent or \$17,532,668 is proposed to be financed through a total ad valorem tax levy.

For the next fiscal year, the proposed increase in ad valorem tax effort by Hancock County School District may result in an increase in the ad valorem tax millage rate. Ad valorem taxes are paid on homes, automobile tags, business fixtures and equipment, and rental real property.

Any citizen of Hancock County School District is invited to attend this public hearing on the proposed ad valorem tax effort, and will be allowed to speak for a reasonable amount of time and offer tangible evidence before any vote is taken.

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SSC BASEBALL TREATED TO A MLB PRESENCE



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New York Mets outfielder Braxton Lee in the cage at batting practice.

BY JOSEPH W. GEX, II
STAFF WRITER

Brad Corley has been on the job as head baseball coach at Saint Stanislaus for just a few weeks but on Tuesday, June 2nd he treated his team to lessons from a Major League influence.

Last Tuesday Braxton Lee, a Picayune native, appeared at practice ready to take batting practice and shag some balls.

No, Lee is not a new

student but one who has played in College Park back in 2010 and 2011 when the Maroon Tide tangled with SSC.

Lee currently plays with the New York Mets organization and is awaiting the restart of Major League Baseball. He was looking to take some batting practice that did not include a tee.

Lee commented, "I have played here before and have some connections to the area being from Picayune. When I

heard that the MHSAA was restarting, I was hoping to be able to get some live batting practice in because you can only hit off a tee for so long. But, it is also an opportunity to help teach some younger players about lessons I have learned playing this game at the highest level."

Standing in the cage with Corley throwing batting practice, Lee encouraged younger players as he watched their swings. Then, he got into

the box. Smack! Smack! Smack! There was no doubt when he hit the ball where it was going. I watched one bounce off the back side of the storage trailer behind the fence in straightaway centerfield. For those not familiar, the distance is about 435 feet and that is with a wooden bat.

Later, Lee got out into centerfield and snagged balls with the younger Rocks. He showed how the first step always needs to be backwards and how to judge distance and angles.

Corley stated, "We are very fortunate to have a professional like Braxton Lee come spend time with our players. The wisdom that he spoke with is much like what we have been telling them only the team is hearing it from someone who is living their dream playing baseball professionally. This is a great opportunity for the players, as well as the coaches. He had their attention from the moment he entered the park."

Following their practice, Corley assembled the team in the Indoor hitting facility and went

over the day's work. He asked Lee to speak to the team about the day and what he saw. Lee added, "I always look for opportunities to come back and help coaches that I know with the game we all love. It is very gratifying to see the smiles on young players' faces when they succeed at something. I told the young men to never be afraid to fail and always give great effort. You never know who is watching."

Lee, who is eagerly awaiting the start of the season, played three years with Picayune Memorial High School before spending two seasons at PRCC. He signed with Ole Miss and helped lead the Rebels to the College World Series in 2014. He was drafted in the 12th round of the 2014 MLB Draft by the

Tampa Bay Rays. He made his Major League debut in 2018 with the Miami Marlins.

Lee married to Colleen Rafferty who is the daughter of SSC Class of 1974 alum Donald Rafferty.

Lee was also joined at practice by former Mississippi State All-American pitcher Reid Humphreys who echoed Lee's sentiments to the team at the end of practice. Humphreys, who is married to former OLA and Mississippi State softball standout Demi Blaker, was drafted in the seventh round of the 2016 MLB Draft by the Colorado Rockies with whom he still pitches. Humphreys' brother-in-law is SSC sophomore Bodie Blaker.



Photo by Joseph W. Gex, II

SSC baseball coach Brad Corley instructs a young Rock-a-chaw how to drive through the ball on a swing.



Photo by Joseph W. Gex, II

New York Mets outfielder Braxton Lee talks with SSC head baseball coach Brad Corley (center) following practice on Tuesday, June 2nd. Joining Corley and Lee are Corley's sons Tucker and Tanner.

Repurposed Fishing Corks

Anyone who knows me, knows how much I enjoy fishing our near-shore reefs. Taylor Reef, Jailhouse Reef, Bayou Caddy Reef have been total game changers. Growing up in Waveland, we really only had piers and Wade fishing. Don't get me wrong, it was still fun, but nothing like these fish attracting Mecca's.

With the rocky structure comes the inevitable, SNAGS. It is virtually impossible to fish these reefs without losing hooks, sinkers, and CORKS. I'm a bit of hoarder with fishing "stuff". I never throw out old rods, baits, and especially Corks.

On a recent trip with my best customers/buddies The Guice Family,



Shore Thing Fishing Report

By Cpt. Sonny
Schindler

they immediately noticed my shabby corks. Keep in mind, we use Boat Monkey Floats, arguably the best popping corks ever made. On this trip I had half broken, faded, bent knock off versions tied on every line. When I know I'm gonna be fish-

ing the near shore reefs, I will put my high end Boat Monkey Corks away.

The tackle stealing reefs only get the Expendable corks. If and when we hook the reefs, or have a fish pull us into the jagged rocks, it cer-

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Diamondhead -- The Early Years

Editor’s note: This week marks the unofficial 50th anniversary of the Diamondhead community. To celebrate, we’ll be doing a series of articles and columns about the city over the next few editions. Today’s column is the first installment of a two-part series on Diamondhead’s history.

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Hancock County, as well as most of the United States, enjoyed economic growth following World War II. There was pent-up consumer demand for affordable single-family houses. Subdivisions and resorts like Diamondhead were carved out of previously rural land into single land development real estate companies.

The story of investor Malcolm McLean is vital to understanding the history of the creation and evolution of the city of Diamondhead from a retirement/resort village to a more traditional bedroom community. Indeed, Diamondhead did not exist before 1969. The ups and downs of the national economy had an adverse effect on the project during the late 1970’s and 1980’s. The history of Diamondhead will be presented in two parts. The first article will relate the early years from 1969-2004 before Hurricane Katrina. In a forthcoming issue, the history of Diamondhead from 2005-2020 will be presented. Malcolm Purcell McLean (1913-2001) was a native of North Carolina who started the McLean Trucking Company with an old used truck given to him by his father for high school graduation.

The company prospered over the years and McLean proved to be an astute businessman and a brilliant transport entrepreneur. In fact, McLean invented the modern intermodal shipping container during the 1950’s and refit freighter ships to carry the boxes or containers. Moreover his steamship corporation, Sea Land Service Inc., became profitable steaming between New York and Europe. In 1969 Reynolds Tobacco Com-

pany bought Sea Land for \$245 M in cash and stock; this transaction netted McLean \$160 M personally. It was at that time McLean decided to invest some of his money into land development and building houses. McLean formed the Diamondhead Corporation, which would invest in resort developments throughout the South from North Carolina to Texas. The first project was called Diamondhead because the land is the highest point of elevation on the Gulf Coast in Mississippi, named after the volcanic cone in Hawaii. Another older established resort, Pinehurst, was purchased in North Carolina. Furthermore, the Diamondhead Corporation would eventually invest in many other ventures: Lake Forest (Mobile), Falcon Head (Oklahoma), Lake Arrowhead (Atlanta), Newport (Houston), Mile High (El Paso), and Sandpiper Cove (Destin). McLean purchased the forestland consisting of 5,700 acres in Hancock County from the Gex family for approximately \$3M (\$500 per acre). Walter Gex, Sr. acquired the original Gex acreage in 1937 from the Gulf State Paper Co. and the Easy Open Bay Company.

The original Spanish land grant was awarded to Noel Jourdan in the eighteenth century. Incidentally, the Jourdan River is named after him and Diamondhead land is adjacent to its Rotten Bayou tributary. The original Choctaw name of Banchawah means decayed stream (Rotten Bayou) presumed to be the consequence of abundant decomposed deer corpses dumped into Devil’s Elbow by the local Indian inhabitants. This was a result of the process of tanning the hides for clothing or trade.

Dan Smith was a salesman for the Diamondhead Corp. in 1971 who reports that McLean poured a lot of money into the project attracting a team of twenty salesmen from all over the country, offering potential compensation of \$60,000- \$100,000 per year. Promotional items

such as a \$15 gift, S & H Green Stamps, pots and pans, moon rocks, crock-pots, and family portraits were offered to the public who would drive out to the work site. There were 10,000 parcels available carved out of the original design or plan for the community of Diamondhead.

A lot sold for three to ten thousand dollars depending on the location. A sale could be made for 10% down and a mortgage for a low interest rate of 4.0%. By 1973, 3,700 lots had been sold and sixty houses had been built. In addition, a hundred condominiums were sold in the first year. These condos were furnished and were factory built. For example, they came with plumbing and electricity embedded in the separate units. They were transported by water to Rotten Bayou and then moved to the building sites similar in concept to the containers McLean used to move freight from trucks to ships. The national economy tanked in the mid 1970’s affected by the 1973 stock market crash and oil embargo. Specifically, housing and land sales dropped and by 1975 all the salesmen except Dan Smith were discharged. In addition, a new accounting rule from the FASB (Financial Accounting Standards Board) was mandated by HUD (Department of Housing and Urban Development). This rule adversely affected all land developers in the United States. For these reasons banks became reluctant to lend money to customers.

Interest rates soared with accompanying double-digit inflation. Art Buchwald quipped that 1980 would go down in history as the year when it was cheaper to borrow money from the Mafia than the local bank. In spite of these challenges McLean built the promised infrastructure including streets, the Pines Golf Course, sewerage and water, country club, yacht club and marina, airport/runway, and more condominiums. By 1977, 361 condo units had been sold. McLean had committed an estimated sum of \$25 M to

Diamondhead, and he was unwilling to let the project fail as had so many other land development projects in the United States in that decade.

By 1980, the population of Diamondhead was 1,011 residents. Artis James was made President of the Diamondhead Corporation in 1979 at age thirty-two and became the indis-

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on costly golf course maintenance. Also some residents wanted the village to incorporate to become a city. Indeed, according to Louis Fuchs, a 1994 incorporation petition failed, but the effort laid down the groundwork for the future. In conclusion, Malcolm Purcell McLean was the key investor that created the town of Diamondhead in 1969. The land development real estate company, the Diamondhead Corporation (aka Purcell Co.), was vital for the success of the community over the last five decades. Competent business management of this bold project, large in scope and foresight, characterized the leadership of the corporation from 1969-2004. The project took twenty years to really flourish. A welcome economic boom did occur after 1990 stimulated by the advent of the gaming industry on the Gulf Coast and the increased workforce employed by the Stennis Space Center.



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